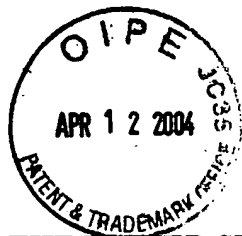


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STATUS LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Recently the above-identified matter has been transferred to our firm for prosecution. We are in the process of docketing the status and would appreciate a response from you indicating the current status of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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